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Microbiological Associates Building

Architectural Survey File

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**MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
NR-ELIGIBILITY REVIEW FORM**

NR Eligible: yes ☒
no ☐

Property Name: Microbiological Associates Building Inventory Number: F-3-105

Address: 5230 ~~5320~~ Ballenger Creek Road City: Frederick MD Zip Code: 21703

County: Frederick County USGS Topographic Map: Frederick, Maryland Quad

Owner: Hugh T. McConnell

Tax Parcel Number: 26 Tax Map Number: 85 Tax Account ID Number: 440415

Project: Central County School Agency: _____

Site visit by MHT Staff: ☒ no ☐ yes Name: _____ Date: _____

Eligibility recommended ☒ Eligibility not recommended ☐

Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D Considerations: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G ☐ None

Is the property located within a historic district? ☒ no ☐ yes Name of district: _____

Is district listed? ☐ no ☐ yes Determined eligible? ☐ no ☐ yes District Inventory Number: _____

Documentation on the property/district is presented in: N/A

Description of Property and Eligibility Determination: *(Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map and photo)*

5230
The two-and-a-half-story brick house at ~~5320~~ Ballenger Creek Pike was constructed ca. 1880. The building faces east toward the road, which is visible just beyond a short allee formed by two rows of mature trees. The building is five bays wide and five bays deep. The dwelling occupies a tee-shaped footprint composed of the main block and a rear ell. The building features eight-to-one common bond brick. The building terminates in a hipped roof sheathed in composition shingles. The building features a pair of octagonal corner turrets topped by conical roofs that flank the front facade of the main block. An interior brick chimney is located on the south facade. The building features one-over-one-light, wood-sash windows on the principal (east) facade and two-over-two-light, wood-sash windows on the side elevations.

The building's principal (east) facade is symmetrical and features a central entrance containing a wood four-panel door. At the attic level, the corner turrets feature windows. The central gabled dormer contains a Palladian window. The Palladian window contains a six-over-six-light, wood-sash window with a round-arched lintel flanked by one-over-one-light, wood-sash windows.

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Comments:	
<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div> <u>Andrew Lewis</u> Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services <u>Blum</u> Reviewer, NR program </div> <div> <u>06/11/01</u> Date <u>6/14/01</u> Date </div> </div>	

*Ballenger Creek Pike
no map #*

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The main block of the building extends to a depth of two bays, while a four-bay ell continues the building to the rear (west). The ell's side facades feature entrances containing four-panel wood doors with transoms, two on the south and one on the north facade. The ell's south facade also features a one-story full-width balcony. The balcony features square posts and a balustrade of square balusters.

Three outbuildings are located south of the main house. A one-story brick storage building features a gable roof with a stepped parapet. The building is three bays wide and four bays deep. The building's principal (east) facade features a central entrance containing a six-panel wood door. The window openings feature wood lintels and brick sills, and contain one-over-one double-hung wood sash. Two brick chimneys are located on the north elevation.

A second one-story outbuilding stands south of the first. The principal (east) facade of the building features a stepped parapet. The building is two bays wide and adopts an L-shaped footprint. The building is constructed of concrete block with a front facade faced in brick. The building terminates in a gabled roof sheathed in standing-seam metal roofing.

The third outbuilding, constructed ca. 1960, stands east of the second and appears to be a small factory or warehouse. The two-story building is constructed of concrete block. The building features a flat roof. The building's walls are blind. A wood addition is appended to the building's south facade.

Stylistic evidence including the building's octagonal towers appear to date the main house to ca. 1880. Jacob Lewis bought 145 acres on which the building stands from Lewis G. Kemp in 1867 (Frederick County Land Records DSB1-864). The property passed through a series of owners in the latter part of the century: Henry C. Drill in 1869 (FCLR CM3-411), Robert Lease in 1875 (FCLR TG2-685), George W. Myers in 1883 (FCLR AF7-79), and William O. Michael in 1909 (FCLR STH287-238). Michael sold off portions of the property, reducing the current property to about 32 acres. The property passed from Michael's family to Victor H. and Mildred T. Schwenketer in 1953 (FCLR LS12-10), and the Schwenketers sold the property to Microbiological Associates, Inc., in 1958 (FCLR 597-261). The biological sciences firm merged with Dynasciences Corporation, a military equipment developer, in 1972; Dynasciences sold the property to its current owner, Hugh T. McConnell, in 1977 (FCLR 1016-364).

The farm complex at ⁵²³⁰~~5320~~ Ballenger Creek Pike, whose main house exhibits design elements of late-nineteenth-century romantic vernacular architecture as applied to farmhouses in Frederick County, possesses significance under criterion C for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. The complex retains its integrity of location, setting, feeling, association, materials, workmanship and design.

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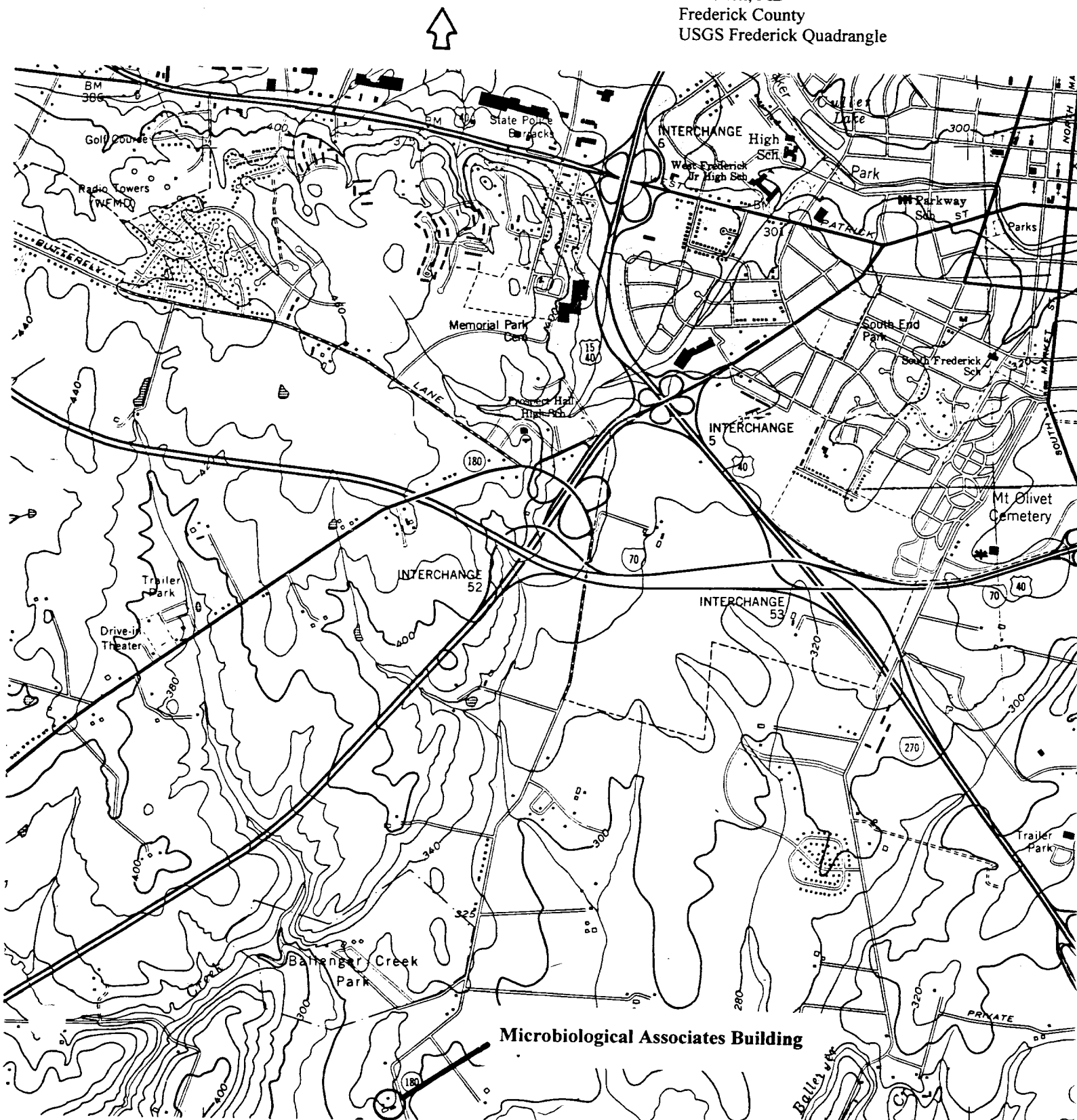
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Continuation Sheet No. 2

Prepared by: Brian Clevon, Industrial
Archaeologist; Scott Meacham,
Architectural Historian, R.C.
Goodwin & Associates, Inc.

Date Prepared: December 2000

USGS Frederick Quadrangle



LOCATIONAL MAP

MHT # F-3-105

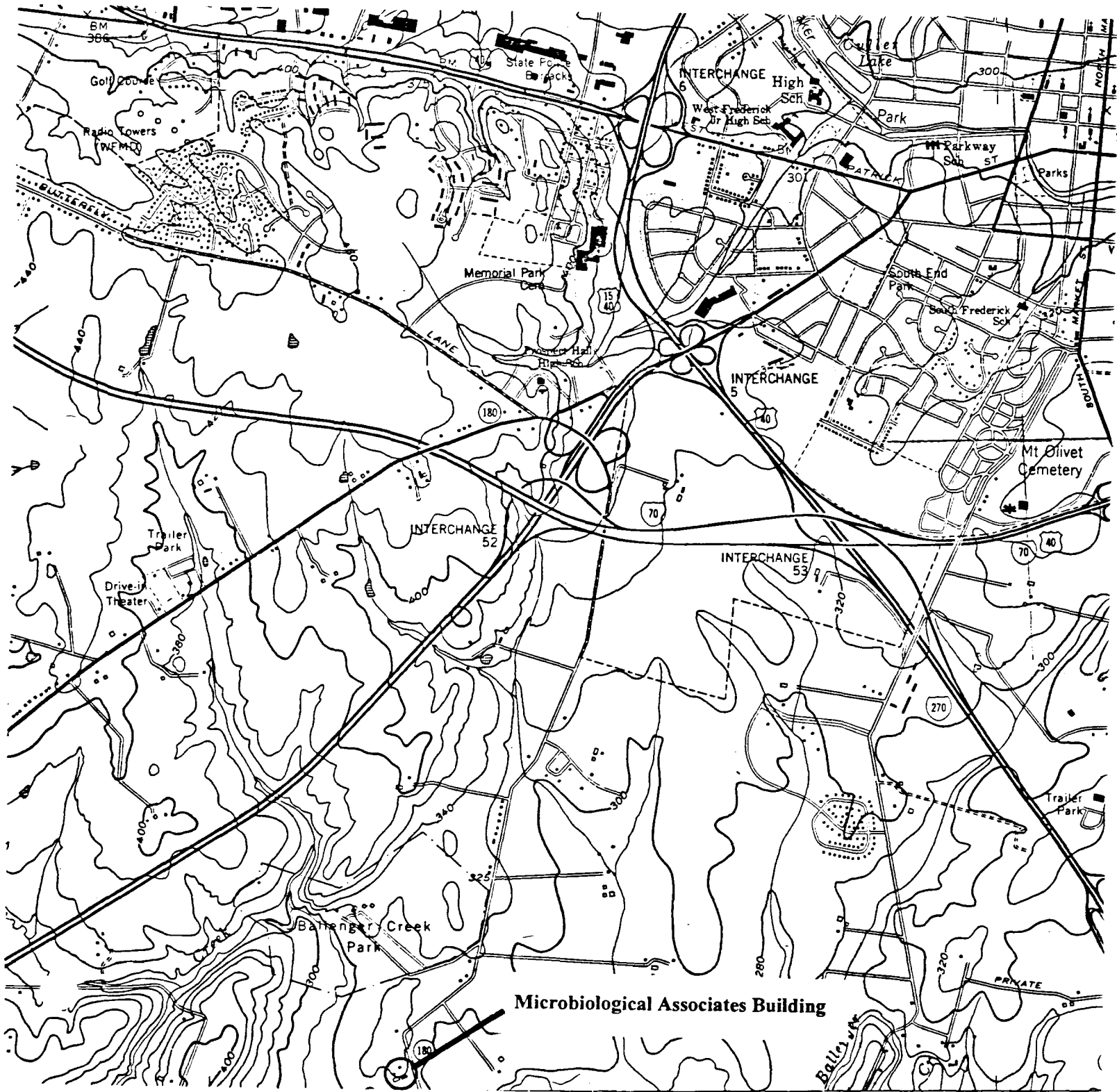
Microbiological Associates

Building

Frederick, MD

Frederick County

USGS Frederick Quadrangle





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MICROBIOLOGICAL ASSOCIATES BUILDING

FREDERICK COUNTY, MD

S. MEACHAM

11/2000

MD SHFO

EAST AND NORTH FACADES, VIEW TO SOUTHWEST

1/4



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MICROBIOLOGICAL ASSOCIATES BUILDING

FREDERICK COUNTY, MD

S. MEACHAM

11/2000

MD SHFO

SOUTH AND EAST FACADES, VIEW TO NORTHWEST

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MICROBIOLOGICAL ASSOCIATES BUILDING

FREDERICK COUNTY, MD

S. MEACHAM

11/2000

MD SHPO

EAST FACADE, VIEW TO WEST

3/4



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MICROBIOLOGICAL ASSOCIATES BUILDING

FREDERICK COUNTY, MD

S. MEACHAM

11/2000

MD SHPO

OUTBUILDINGS' EAST FACADES, VIEW TO WEST

4/4

**MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
NR-ELIGIBILITY REVIEW FORM**

NR Eligible: yes ☒ X
no ☐

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Property Name: Microbiological Institute Inventory Number: F-3-105

Address: 5230 Ballenger Creek Pike City: Bukeystown Zip Code:

County: Frederick USGS Topographic Map:

Owner: Mr. Hugh McConnell

Tax Parcel Number: Tax Map Number: Tax Account ID Number:

Project: Central High School Agency: PSCP

Site visit by MHT Staff: ☒ no ☐ yes Name: Date:

Eligibility recommended ☒ X Eligibility not recommended ☐

Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D Considerations: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G ☐ None

Is the property located within a historic district? ☒ no ☐ yes Name of district:

Is district listed? ☐ no ☐ yes Determined eligible? ☐ no ☐ yes District Inventory Number:

Documentation on the property/district is presented in: Survey Files & Review & Compliance Project Files

Description of Property and Eligibility Determination: *(Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map and photo)*

Constructed in approximately 1910, the house is a large two story brick residence laid in common bond which faces east from the west side of Ballenger Creek Pike. The residence is built on a low random stone foundation. The principle façade is nine bays wide; the main entrance, a panelled door with circular medallion decoration, three light transom and two side lights is located in the fifth bay. The remaining bays are 1/1 windows with double header arches.

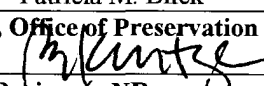
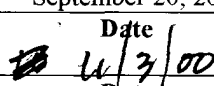
The front of the building is dominated by two large three story pentagonal turrets in the north and southeast corners. Small celestroy windows are located in the third level of the turrets. Both turrets are covered by asphalt pyramidal roofs with finials.

The two story open porch on the rear ell has deteriorated.

The dwelling is relatively intact and demonstrates a distinct form for the area.

There are three outbuildings on the property, one of recent construction, the remaining two are contemporary with the main building, but have been altered extensively and no longer retain structural integrity.

Information from MIHP and Janet Davis, Frederick County.

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Eligibility recommended <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>X</u>	Eligibility not recommended <input type="checkbox"/>
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Patricia M. Blick	September 20, 2000
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services	Date
	
Reviewer, NR program	Date

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
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Prepared by: _____

Date Prepared: _____



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Site: 120/022 22+00 N41N1+16N1 5044

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Microbiological Associates Building
Buckeystown
Private

C. 1905

The Microbiological Associates Building is a large two story brick residence, nine bays wide. The main entrance, located in the fifth bay, is a paneled door with circular medallian decoration, three light transom and two side lights. The remaining bays are 1/1 windows with double header arches.

This brick house provides a change in the architectural style most often found used for farmhouses in the Adamstown region. Most farm residences built in the late nineteenth century are two and one-half story frame buildings with a center gable and two story open porch to the rear. This building has included the regional two story open porch in the rear, but connected it to a two and one-half story common bond brick main blocks with turrets. From the texture, quality and color of the bricks, it is most likely that they are bricks baked at the Baker Yards in Buckeystown.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC Microbiological Associates Building

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

West Side Ballenger Creek Pike

CITY, TOWN

Adamstown

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Frederick

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT☒ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☐ OCCUPIED☒ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

☐ YES: RESTRICTED☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED☒ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE☐ COMMERCIAL☐ EDUCATIONAL☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ GOVERNMENT☒ INDUSTRIAL☐ MILITARY☐ MUSEUM☐ PARK☐ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ RELIGIOUS☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ OTHER**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME Microbiological Associates Inc.

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Walkersville

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21793

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTIONCOURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Frederick County Courthouse

Liber #: 597

Folio #: 261

STREET & NUMBER

North Court Street

CITY, TOWN

Frederick

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

F-3-105

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

☐ EXCELLENT
☒ GOOD
☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED
☐ RUINS
☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☒ UNALTERED
☐ ALTERED

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE
☐ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This house is a large two story brick residence laid in common bond which faces east from the west side of Ballenger Creek Pike. The principle facade is nine bays wide; the main entrance, a panelled door with circular medallion decoration, three light transom and two side lights is located in the fifth bay. The remaining bays are 1/1 windows with double header arches.

The front of the building is dominated by two large three story pentagonal turrets which set in the north and southeast corners of the building. Small clerestory windows are located in the third level of the turrets. Both turrets are covered by asphalt pyramidal roofs with finials. A front gable with arched window extends from the hipped roof.

The building extends to the rear (west side), six bays deep. Double hung 2/2 windows occupy each bay. An entranceway is located in the third bay. A two story open porch extends along the entire south side of the building.

The residence is built on a low random stone foundation; the asphalt hipped roof is attached to the building by a plain boxed cornice with plain frieze.

One corbeled brick chimney is located immediately behind the turret in the southeast corner.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This brickhouse provides a change in the architectural style most often found used for farmhouses in the Adamstown region. Most farm residences in the area are two and one-half story frame buildings with a center gable and two story open porch to the rear. This building has included the regional two story open porch in the rear, but connected it to a two and a half story common brick main block with turrets. The building displays a higher style of architecture than usually found in the rural areas of the county. From the texture, quality and color of the bricks, it is most likely that they are bricks baked at the Baker Yards in Buckeystown.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE _____ COUNTY _____

STATE _____ COUNTY _____

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Cherilyn Widell, Sites Analyst

ORGANIZATION

Frederick County Office of Historic Preservation

DATE

8/11/78

STREET & NUMBER

12 East Church St., Winchester Hall

TELEPHONE

663-8300

CITY OR TOWN

Frederick

STATE

Maryland

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

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March 25, 1958

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Beatrice Michael

William O Michael

142 acres

\$ 30,500

Jan 16, 1953

287/138

George G.F. Hyus

George W Hyus

executors

\$12,833

March 29, 1902

AF 7/79

Robert Lease

Mary Lease

145 acres

\$16,000

March 31, 1883

TC 2/554

Robert Lease

Jacob Lewis

Lot #2. Fieldstone Manor
Land of Henry Cullen

Feb 9 1875

Henry Cullen

Elizabeth Hoffman

Oct 8 1831



MICROBIOLOGICAL ASSOC. BUILDING
W/S BALLENGER CREEK PIKE
WEST ELEVATION

~~F+3~~

CEW 5/78

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MICROBIOLOGICAL ASSOC. BUILDING
W/S BALLENGER CREEK PIKE
EAST ELLEVATION

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